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REMARKS

The Action maintains that the application contains three inventions (Inventions I-III), each of which is distinct from the others. Applicants' Assignee hereby elects with traverse to prosecute the embodiment of Invention II, claims 12, 28-31 without prejudice to the presentation of the claims of Groups I and III in later applications.

Upon election of Invention II; Claims 12, 28-31 are pending the application, claims 1-11, 13-19, and 32-36 are withdrawn from consideration and claims 16-18 and 20-27 are cancelled.

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CONCLUSION

The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed October 13, 2006. Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. No fees are believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0855. If the Examiner believes that there are any issues that can be resolved by a telephone conference, or that there are any informalities that can be corrected by an amendment, please call 404 815 6061.

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